IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Leatrese HARRIS et al. Examiner: Unassigned

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For: OPEN PORE BIODEGRADABLE MATRICES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, after the Title, insert the following new paragraph:

-- This application is a Continuation Application of U.S. Serial No. 09/402,119, filed September 30, 1999,--

REMARKS

The above is believed to be self-explanatory.

Respectfully submitted,

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